



LLI MATTERS

Learning for the Love of It

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

In an attempt to explain the inner working of our executive committee, consider the challenge of being on the curriculum committee, one of the many that are essential to the smooth operation of our organization, and charged with evaluating proposals for future course offerings. Try your luck at separating the wheat from the chaff:



Which of these ten courses would you approve?

- Intro to turntablism, (understanding how your record player works)
- Aerobic leaf blowing
- How to determine if you are a superior being
- Dodge ball strategy for seniors
- Review of high school Algebra
- Safely inflicting your grandkids on strangers
- Advanced tree climbing for the elderly
- Street fighting math (fitness for mind and body)
- Walking and Packing for fitness at Wal-Mart
- Watching morning cereals serials

If you identified #5 (Algebra) as the one serious proposal, you have the gifts needed to serve on the curriculum committee.

Please contact someone who is currently on the council to make your qualifications and willingness to serve known, and you can be assured that we will be in touch. Have fun learning this year.

My best,
Boyd Herforth
President of LLI SUNY New Paltz 2018 - 2019

CORRECTION:

Mary Cotton Miller was the first Registrar, for the first three years of LLI - as a volunteer. The job became too big. Ellen Munzer was hired as an administrative assistant. I trained with both Mary and Ellen before taking over as the first paid Registrar.

BUDGET INFORMATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

For those who were curious where our funds come from and what they are used for, we present our current Journal Ledger:

Date	Payee	Item	Amount
8-Jul	St Josephs	Rent for Classrooms	\$ 1,075.00
8-Jul	Jean Poirier	Registrar	\$ 215.00
26-Jul	Southern Dutchess	Fall Catalog	\$ 1,025.00
26-Jul	Marilou Abramshe	LCD Projector	\$ 432.00
26-Jul	PDQ	Copies	\$ 17.00
7-Aug	Catalog Mailing	Postage	\$ 445.00
7-Aug	Refund for Flower Show	11 Individual Members Total	\$ 572.00
9-Aug	Membership	Revenue	\$ 14,200.00
9-Aug	Flower Show	Refund	\$ 308.00
9-Aug	Jean Poirier	Registrar	\$ 472.00
16-Aug	Joel Swartzberg	Refund over payment	\$ 40.00
19-Aug	Membership	Revenue	\$ 4,320.00
27-Aug	Donation to Foundation	Myra Sorin	\$ 100.00
27-Aug	Membership	Revenue	\$ 2,400.00
28-Aug	Jean Poirier	Postage	\$ 113.00
2-Sep	Jean Poirier	Registrar	\$ 1,308.00
6-Sep	Faith Nichols	Postage and ink cartridges	\$ 56.00
6-Sep	Jean Poirier	Postage	\$ 10.00
8-Sep	Phyllis Sturm	Facebook Ads	\$ 20.00
8-Sep	Woodland Pond	LLI Brunch	\$ 500.00
8-Sep	LLI Brunch	Revenue	\$ 470.00
8-Sep	Membership	Revenue	\$ 840.00
20-Sep	Jessica Rothman	Postage for packets to CA's	\$ 73.00
26-Sep	Membership	Revenue	\$ 600.00
26-Sep	Brunch	Revenue	\$ 20.00
26-Sep	Badge replacement	Revenue	\$ 5.00
28-Sep	Lou Trapani	Refund for parking pass	\$ 25.00
28-Sep	Marny Janson	Badges/ Lanyards	\$ 36.00
3-Oct	Membership	Revenue	\$ 240.00
3-Oct	Season Ticket	Revenue	\$ 10.00
3-Oct	Jean Poirier	Postage	\$ 20.00
18-Oct	Jean Poirier	Registrar	\$ 687.00
18-Oct	Sevan Melikyan	Catalog	\$ 950.00
24-Oct	Travelers	Liability Insurance	\$ 840.00
31-Oct	Season Ticket	SUNY	\$ 350.00
31-Oct	Season Ticket	Revenue	\$ 320.00
31-Oct	Brunch	Revenue	\$ 610.00
2-Nov	Woodland Pond	Brunch	\$ 518.00
7-Nov	Jean Poirier	Registrar	\$ 554.00
18-Nov	Jessica Rothman	Envelopes	\$ 19.00
18-Nov	Membership	Revenue	\$ 130.00
18-Nov	Brunch	Revenue	\$ 20.00

LLI Membership/Benefits from SUNY- New Paltz



- ◆ Membership fee of \$120 entitles you to enroll in 6 classes out of a selection of over 33 courses in both the Fall and Spring semesters. You are also invited to many other LLI events, including trips and informative brunches. Please note: The membership dues were increased by \$5 which is earmarked for the LLI scholarship awarded to a non-traditional undergraduate.
- ◆ The classrooms we use on Wednesdays and the technical support the presenters receive during classes are all provided free from SUNY. The SUNY administration is happy to have LLI on campus and offers the following discounts and opportunities to our students beyond our reduced price parking tags:
 - ⇒ Members are allowed to join the new Wellness Center on campus for a reduced fee for one semester or for the year. This gives one access to the circuit, the weight room and the dance classes. The old Elting Gym also has a swimming pool, racquetball courts and ping pong tables available.
 - ⇒ The Department of Fine and Performing Arts gladly accepts the LLI membership card as a form of student identification. The card allows one to pay the reduced student rate for art (Dorsky Museum), theater (McKenna and Parker) and special events (Lecture Center). You can use the library but by becoming a Friend of the Library for a minimum donation of \$30, you are able to take books out of the library as well.
 - ⇒ The various campus dining options are always available to everyone. The remodeled Wooster Hall (which is just across the concourse from Humanities and Lecture Center classes) now hosts a lovely restaurant.
 - ⇒ You can sign up for email from the college to receive announcements of the events on campus or check out www.newpaltz.edu.

Discounts Available in/out of the New Paltz area

20% off art supplies at Manny's and Rhinebeck Artist

Check some theaters and museums everywhere might accept your student ID for discounts

Auditing Classes

Persons over 60 years of age, who would like to audit a course must obtain an audit form from the Office of Records and Registration. The completed form must have the approval and signatures of the chair of the department offering the course and the course instructor. The audit form must be returned to the department offering the course by the end of the "course add period."

The audit privilege permits the auditor to attend a course, providing there is room in the course and the necessary approvals have been granted, and to do assignments, but it does not permit the auditor to take examinations in the course or to have his/her work evaluated in any other way. The auditor receives no grade for the course, nor is any record of course attendance kept in the Office of Records and Registration.

Audit privileges are not ordinarily available in studio, online, laboratory or performance courses, or courses where class participation of students is of major importance, nor are they available in credit-free courses offered by the institution or in any foreign study program or course.

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Recent Lectures and Class Performance Brunches



Ottoway-Fake News
Last February

Joe Britto—Lincoln

Performance by class “Bits ‘n Pieces”
on Aging

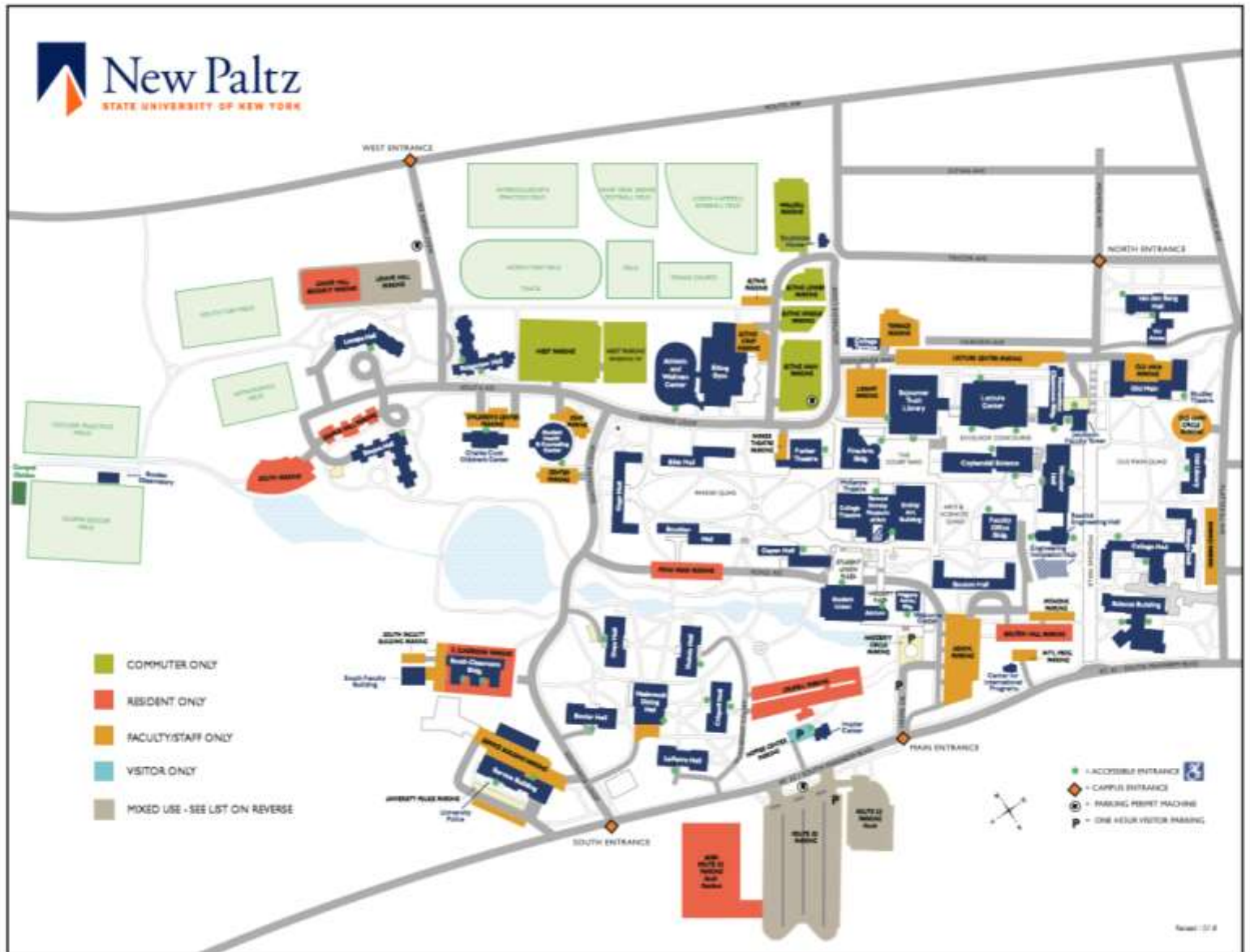
Upcoming Brunches and Trips

March 5th—Mile Rupcic — Bosnian Diary: A personal experience.

Here are the proposed topics in no specific order:

The Rail Trail, Denizen Theater, and Susan Lewis-Women's Suffrage

Campus MAP



Volunteers – Save the Date

May 22 for the volunteer thank you reception



Volunteers

If you would like to help the organization function optimally, consider volunteering. Some things we need help with are classroom assistants, mailings, phone-a-thons or perhaps you recognize something else which needs your help improving.

Email Alice.Barner@gmail.com to find out about other volunteer opportunities.

Curriculum Committee Members

This dynamic and exciting committee finds and finalizes the courses we offer during future semesters.

Social Media-Technical help

Knowledge of Facebook administration, Word or Publisher helpful.

PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD

We trust you enjoy your classes and extracurricular activities. LLI wants your friends and family as members, therefore let them know about LLI.

Class Photos

FOLDING EVERYTHING CLASS



TAP DANCERS



ORIGAMI PUPPIES



ASIAN
WRITING
EXPLAINED

SPRING 2019 COURSES AT A GLANCE

Intro to Astronomy and Cosmology

Current Events Discussion

Language and Society

Opera as Politics

A Beginner's Guide to Jewish Customs, Practices and Language Part II

Legendary Soul Part 2

Making it Medieval in Modern Catalonia

The "Found" Tribes of Israel - Dispersed Jewish Communities Rediscovered

Sixties Yoga

The World Between the Wars 1918-1939

Theater and World History: Plays Based on Actual Events

A Concise History of Jazz

Introduction to Tap

Beading 101

Birding for Lazy Birders

Common Core Math: Myths and Motivations

Create Your Own Pilgrimage

Fold Everything! All about Origami

Let the Music Fill Your Soul and Dance

Rosendale - A History

Beading 102

Chair Yoga

Creative Embroidery

Islamic Cultural Influence in Colonial Mexico

Sensory Quilt

Season Ticket

Student Prophecies from Hebrew Prophets Class

Taught by Rabbi Rena Blumenthal

Hear, O my people - Arlene R. Wilhelm

Hear, O my people, for I have said it over and over again.
Hear what I have told you about how you are to live:
Do what is right, be kind to one another,
and bow your head before me, recognizing your place in the creation.

You have grand ceremonies and many candles,
You fast and strike your breast, fawning sorrow for your wayward ways,
You pretend to love your neighbor while ignoring their basic needs.

How can you call yourself a child of mine?
How can you pretend to follow my ways when you follow your own?
How can others see my imprint upon you when you cast a dark shadow on who you really are?

It is my love in you that I want to shine out!
It is my love in you that I want to see embodied in your life!
It is doing what is right that I require of you, no matter the cost.
It is truth and right living, living in love to all who cross your path.

Do not rely upon your own ways; do not rely upon the ways of the world,
for these will take you on the path to death.
Follow my ways and you will find life!
This is what I desire for you, O my people.

Listen to the Voice—Pat Brakman

Listen to the Voice
Take it into your hearts and into your hands
Put aside your self interests
Cast aside the old prejudices that no longer serve you
Look with seeing eyes not wearing the blinders that have become so comfortable for you
Raise your voice, not your fists. Raise your hands to do the work the Lord has placed in your hearts.
See the "other" not as an intruder
See in their face and eyes God's face
Hear in their voice the plaintive cry of a God calling you to service
Open your mind to understand differences are not obstacles but new ideas to absorb
If you do not heed these words says YHVH, isolation and discontent will follow you on all your paths
The burden will be heavy and challenges will exceed accomplishments
The power of God's love and mercy is strained as you continue to keep your eyes, ears, mind and hearts
closed to God's message
You and your descendants will reap what you sow today
So seeds of compassion love and understanding says YHVH.
And know the blessings as you have been promised when the covenant of love you and your ancestors
made is upheld .

A prophecy by Myra Sorin Election Eve 2018

Hark, if you do not heed my words,
Tides will flow into your cities,
Villages will be buried beneath the waves,
City streets will be as rivers,
With boats plying their routes, and nary a pedestrian to be seen;
Fields will become lakes and harvests sodden.

Elsewhere drought will plague the land,
Fields will crack and turn to desert.
Sparks will be carried on the wind and destroy your dwellings.
Forests will shrivel and dry.

This has already begun,
Brought on by your indifference, by your greed.
For you have berated and belittled the scientist-seers who foretold of this.
You heard but did not heed their warnings,
And now you begin to feel the effects of your distraction.

For you heeded only the bottom line.
You cared only to perpetuate your power.
You cared not for the orphan or widow or foreigner.
You clothed not the poor nor fed the hungry.
You turned people away and denied them a piece of your bounty;
You denied them hope.

So that now, even should you desist from your careless and self-interested ways,
What you have set in progress may not be undone.

But change your ways you must,
If you hope for your offspring to survive,
For the land to once again be fertile and provide for you.

For though God wishes always to preserve a remnant,
What you have set in motion
May overwhelm even God's awesome powers.

The Words of the Lord - Kappa Waugh

The words of the Lord that came to Kappa, a librarian from Port Ewen, on the eve of the election during the reign of Trump.

Thus said YHVH, I love the poor, the homeless, the single mothers. My affection is for the children who wander the streets, some with keys about their necks, all wondering where they shall find food.

I do not understand why a land where I have blessed you with food, doctors, space on which to build, free energy from my son, my waters, the heated waters under the earth, should deny my people its bounty.

Woe to you, men of power, who warehouse the poor, who make laws to safeguard and enrich yourselves while emptying the mouths of children.

You transgress my laws, you who own properties throughout the land, yet vote against affordable housing. "Not in my neighborhood!" you cry, while your neighbor makes his home in the street, on a piece of cardboard over a grating.

God said, "Mortal, go to the county building. Change the Welfare Office, Voter Registration, Public Transport, Health Care, Child Protective Services. All these are designed to diminish my people."

God said, "Mortal, go to the landlords, the loan sharks, the salesmen of insurance and funerals, the electric companies, the grocery stores. All these are used to gouge my people and lock them in poverty."

God said, "Mortal, go to the employers, owners of box stores, fast food outlets, cleaning services, beauty parlors, taxicabs. These must offer my people a living wage, healthcare, paid time for leisure and renewal."

God will give you eyes to see all colors are one color. My color.

God will give you heart to realize all genders are My gender.

God will give you ears to hear the cries of the poor, for I share in their tears.

God will give you flesh to feel the bruises of the abused. You have abused me.

God will give you the shunned feelings of the disenfranchised. It is God you turn away at the polls.

Woe to you who take advantage of your neighbor,

Who assault your sister and your mother,

Who cheat your brother,

For I who Am is all of those.

The great wheel will turn, and you shall be racked upon it.

But open your eyes and ears; turn from your selfish ways, and the Lord will warm to you again.

LLI MISSION STATEMENT

The Lifetime Learning Institute of New Paltz promotes diverse and enriching learning experiences for older adults, provides opportunities for social interaction, and encourages individuals to use their knowledge and skills in creative ways.

**Spring 2019 classes will run
Wednesday, March 13th through
Friday, May 10th (excl. Apr17/19)
Watch your mail for the catalog
in late-January or check
website:**



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